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To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>

Subject: QRP-L digest 2107

QRP-L Digest 2107

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- by ac5ez@webtv.net (Larry)
- 20) [92400] Re: Paddle Needed Move to Seattle
by Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>
- 21) [92401] Re: Suggestions on learning Morse code
by "Phil (VA3UX)" <phil@vaxxine.com>
- 22) [92402] [Fwd: [fpqrp] TRUFFLE HUNT 23 FEB 2001 K8CZ]
by Tom Isgro <k8cz@concentric.net>
- 23) [92403] #1 tip on... Re: Suggestions on learning Morse code
by "Paul R. Valko" <prvalko@oakland.edu>
- 24) [92404] Happy Dance!
by "K7FD N7SG" <cqdx@teleport.com>
- 25) [92405] Fox Hunt #37
by w2xn@juno.com
- 26) [92406] Re Code suggestions
by Pete Burbank <plburbank@kih.net>
- 27) [92407] Re: Manhattan construction pads
by Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
- 28) [92408] Paddles Found
by "Kevin Nathan" <k7rx@uswest.net>
- 29) [92409] Re: Re Code suggestions
by "Don Wilhelm" <w3fpr@arrl.net>
- 30) [92410] Re: Replacement fo MC1350
by Larry East <w1hue@amsat.org>
- 31) [92411] Epiphyte-3
by JJ&A <w7ls@blarg.net>
- 32) [92412] Re: Happy Dance!
by "Bob Tellefsen" <n6wg@earthlink.net>
- 33) [92413] Re: [JOY]: Max Headcopy
by "K7FD N7SG" <cqdx@teleport.com>
- 34) [92414] Re: Re Code suggestions
by Pete Burbank <plburbank@kih.net>
- 35) [92415] SMALL WONDERS 20m
by Dominique FERRAND <dominique.ferrand@st.com>
- 36) [92416] Re: SMALL WONDERS 20m
by Dave Sjolin <sjolin@swbell.net>
- 37) [92417] WTT: DSW-30 (kit) for DSW-40 (kit)
by "Rod Cerkoney" <n0rc@hotmail.com>
- 38) [92418] **Final Call** for the QRPers Contest Calendar 2001
by "Ron Polityka" <wb3aal@fast.net>
- 39) [92419] Houston Tx area Give Away
by K5BDZ@aol.com
- 40) [92420] Re: GQPlus allband transceiver
by Rick Robinson <rerobins@email.uncc.edu>
- 41) [92421] FOX: I'm da fox twice next week!!!
by "Doyle, Ronald D" <RD130947@exchange.DAYTONOH.NCR.com>
- 42) [92422] How to pass the Code test (really)
by K4IA@aol.com
- 43) [92423] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)

by Harris Keith E CONT CNIN <harris_k@crane.navy.mil>
44) [92424] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
by "John P. Cummins, Sr." <jpcummins@charter.net>
45) [92425] Re: Suggestions on learning Morse code
by Jake Brodsky <frussle@erols.com>
46) [92426] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
by Harris Keith E CONT CNIN <harris_k@crane.navy.mil>
47) [92427] Final Log - CUB FOX AF4PS 2/22/01
by Macstein@aol.com
48) [92428] FS: SST40 QRP xcvr (oops)
by Gary Slagel <gdslagel@yahoo.com>
49) [92429] MI QRP Net HELP
by ed.kwik@delphiauto.com
50) [92430] Re: Inductor and Capacitor Questions
by Bill Lazure <n2tpa@juno.com>
51) [92431] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
by "Bob Duckworth" <wb4mnf@atl.org>
52) [92432] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
by Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
53) [92433] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
by Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
54) [92434] FS: S&S Engineering Tac-1 etc.
by Michael Melland <badger@vbe.com>
55) [92435] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
by Paul Dryer <psdryer@ticnet.com>
56) [92436] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
by Harris Keith E CONT CNIN <harris_k@crane.navy.mil>
57) [92437] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
by "John P. Cummins, Sr." <jpcummins@charter.net>
58) [92438] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
by "ZOOM" <kandrparker@sympatico.ca>
59) [92439] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
by N10DL@aol.com
60) [92440] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
by Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
61) [92441] Re: [OT] How to pass the Code test (really)
by Mike <mmorrow@companet.net>
62) [92442] Re: How to pass the Code test (really) - MFJ-418
by Mike <mmorrow@companet.net>
63) [92443] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
by "Richard Matthews" <prm@hiwaay.net>
64) [92444] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
by Harris Keith E CONT CNIN <harris_k@crane.navy.mil>
65) [92445] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
by "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
66) [92446] Re: Manhattan construction pads
by Bill Jones <kd7s@psnw.com>
67) [92447] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)

by Bill Coleman <aa4lr@arrl.net>
68) [92448] Headband magnifier sale
by Majority Mike Capt 56 TRS/IP <mike.majority@luke.af.mil>
69) [92449] Re: LED Voltage Drop
by Bill Coleman <aa4lr@arrl.net>
70) [92450] Re: newbie question on qrp contests
by Bill Coleman <aa4lr@arrl.net>
71) [92451] RE: Headband magnifier sale
by "Kanalz, Karl" <Karl.Kanalz@allegiancetelecom.com>
72) [92452] WQ8RP ARRL DX CW 2001
by "Don Chisholm" <don.chisholm@home.com>
73) [92453] SWR from outside looking in - significant?
by Nick Kennedy <nkennedy@tcainternet.com>
74) [92454] Toroid Kit Update
by "Doug Hendricks" <ki6ds@dph.dpol.net>
75) [92455] How do I unsubscribe?
by "Willy Krogstad" <wikro@nt.telia.no>
76) [92456] Out of Band Question
by Bob W7AVK <rsrolfne@atnet.net>
77) [92457] FWD: Fw: Int'l. Criminal Court Legislation
by laura fisher <wlfisher@bellatlantic.net>
78) [92458] RE: Fw: Int'l. Criminal Court Legislation
by Nick Kennedy <nkennedy@tcainternet.com>
79) [92459] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
by Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
80) [92460] OP - Rutgers WAS attempt
by n5ib@juno.com
81) [92461] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
by Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
82) [92462] RE: Fw: Int'l. Criminal Court Legislation
by Rick Robinson <rerobins@email.uncc.edu>
83) [92463] RE: How to pass the Code test (really)
by "KD4W0V Tom Tishken" <kd4wov@earthlink.net>
84) [92464] Re: Fw: Int'l. Criminal Court Legislation
by Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
85) [92465] RE: Fw: Int'l. Cr...tion Just say NO!
by "Charles Mabbott" <crmabbott@mediaone.net>
86) [92466] Re: FWD: Fw: Int'l. Criminal Court Legislation
by Chris Trask <ctrask@primenet.com>
87) [92467] n9nf shack cleaning
by "Michael Herman" <kc9nf@hotmail.com>
88) [92468] Re: FWD: Fw: Int'l. Criminal Court Legislation
by "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
89) [92469] Re: Replacement fo MC1350
by "Steven Weber" <kd1jv@moose.ncia.net>
90) [92470] RE: How to pass the Code test (really)
by "Steven Weber" <kd1jv@moose.ncia.net>
91) [92471] QRP items F/S

by N2PTW@cs.com
92) [92472] Re: Fw: Int'l. Criminal Court Legislation
by Michael Bower <bowerm@ix.netcom.com>

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 17:08:47 -0700 (MST)
From: "Paul Harden, NA5N" <na5n@rt66.com>
To: Bill Jones <kd7s@psnw.com>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92381] Re: Manhattan construction pads
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.4.10.10102221703030.17586-100000@shell.rt66.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

On Thu, 22 Feb 2001, Bill Jones wrote:

> I have often thought that some enterprising person with a Harbor Freight
> punch and a lot of scrap PC board stock could package up small
> quantities of pads and sell them to those of us who may want to
> experiment with Manhattan construction but haven't yet been bitten
> sufficiently hard by the bug to buy their own punch.

Bill,

And you know someone like Honeywell, Motorola, etc. that whomps out a
bunch of PC boards with punched out holes for some product -- probably
sweeps a couple piles of copper clad "holes" into the trash everyday :-(

72, Paul NA5N

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 15:31:48 -0800
From: "John Moriarity" <k6qq@hdo.net>
To: <badger@vbe.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92382] Re: A&A Engineering Battery Charger Question
Message-ID: <000201c09d2f\$805742c0\$ec414cd1@johnmori>

Mike,

Overcharging brings early death to gel-cells. Having said that,
I use the 0.5 amp setting to charge my 4AH batteries. Close
enough (I hope). Since I'm planning on getting some 10AH
batteries, I'm thinking of installing a switch to allow quick
change to the 1 amp rate.

I've had the A&A charger for about five years, and am very satisfied with it. I killed many a gel-cell with improper charging prior to that.

There are apparently some changes in the latest model. I notice another LED on the front panel. Could you possibly scan the schematic of yours and send it here??

73,

John, K6QQ

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 16:08:56 -0800
From: "John Moriarity" <k6qq@hdo.net>
To: <ae5x@qsl.net>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92383] Re: T32RD
Message-ID: <000301c09d2f\$81ae9560\$ec414cd1@johnmori>

----- Original Message -----
From: "John Harper AE5X" <ae5x@qsl.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Thursday, February 22, 2001 1:12 PM
Subject: Re: T32RD

> QSL via OK1RD:
>
> JARDA SEMOTAN
> BOROVA 155
> RICANY 251 01
> CZECH REPUBLIC

And he has *good* ears, too! I heard the big pileup and stopped to see what was going on. I tuned up off frequency, set the K2 to "split", found the guy he was working, and got him on the first call.

He gave me a 559, and then I looked at the K2 and realized that I hadn't turned the power up after tuning. I was running a little over one watt!

I almost got Z35M in Macedonia a few minutes later.
He tried hard, but just couldn't quite get my call.
Gave me a 319 ;-)

72,

John, K6QQ

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 19:21:45 -0500
From: Hank Kohl K8DD <k8dd@arrl.net>
To: radioruss@fuse.net
Cc: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [92384] Re: MI QRP Website ???
Message-ID: <5.0.2.1.2.20010222190923.027d5ea0@mail.arenet.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

It appears that Earthlink (who bought OneMain who bought The Internet Ramp) has done something, however their support people say the server that I had my page, MI QRP Club, QRP-ARCI Toy Store and the Dayton Room List is down and they are working on it, but it's been down for about two weeks.

I've got most everything on <http://www.qsl.net/k8dd/miqrp/miqrp.htm>

Most everything there is accessible from <http://www.qsl.net/k8dd>

It is a permanent move.

73 Hank K8DD

At 06:28 PM 2/22/2001 -0500, Russ Hines wrote:
>Apparently Earthlink has purchased their ISP so perhaps they've moved or
>killed the K8DD pages.
>
>Beyond that, can't help you. I can't reach it either. ;-)
>
>73,
>Russ Hines
>WB8ZCC
>radioruss@fuse.net
>wb8zcc@arrl.net
><http://home.fuse.net/radioruss>

>
>----- Original Message -----
>From: Fred Lesnick <flesnick@tbaytel.net>
>To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
>Sent: Thursday, February 22, 2001 5:45 PM
>Subject: MI QRP Website ???
>
>
> > Does anyone know the link to the MI QRP website, I cannot get to it
> > from the K8DD homepage..
> >
> > Thanks Fred
> > VE3FAL

*/ Hank Kohl K8DD k8dd@arrl.net
*/ ARRL TS <http://www.qsl.net/k8dd>
*/ MI-QRP - Vice Pres. QRP-ARCI - Director
*/

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 16:47:13 -0800
From: "Bob Tellefsen" <n6wg@earthlink.net>
To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92385] Re: Inductor and Capacitor Questions
Message-ID: <001701c09d32\$2a565340\$a4d0fc9e@oemcomputer>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

No answer to question 1.

For question 2, RF chokes were specially wound to present a high impedance from low to hi radio freqs without being self resonant within the range. The old 3 pie 2.5 mH RF chokes were commonly used as plate chokes for capacitive coupling between a tube plate and its output tuned circuit.

Question 3. The precision wire wound resistors were used in dc circuits commonly. In another life, long ago, I worked for Fluke. The precision resistors were a key element in their test equipment of the day.

73, Bob N6WG

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 18:33:02 -0600
From: Steve Yates - AA5TB <aa5tb@arrl.net>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92386] Re: Suggestions on learning Morse code
Message-ID: <00d701c09d30\$2f665300\$82713ed8@aa5tb>
MIME-version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-transfer-encoding: 7bit

Rod,

Here are some of my favorite CW resources all with very good advice:

The Art & Skill of Radio-Telegraphy <http://www.raes.ab.ca/book/main.htm>

AF4LQ <http://members.iglou.com/olyellr/>

PA3BWK's Ultimate Morse Code Web Site <http://www.morsecode.dutch.nl/>

73,

Steve Yates - AA5TB
Fort Worth, TX - EM12gs
aa5tb@arrl.net
<http://www.geocities.com/aa5tb>

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 19:47:35 -0500
From: Hank Kohl K8DD <k8dd@arrl.net>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [92387] Dayton Room List
Message-ID: <5.0.2.1.2.20010222194609.027f2aa8@mail.arenet.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

The Dayton 2001 Room List
<http://www.qsl.net/k8dd/rooms/dids.htm>
Let me know if there are additions, changes or deletions.
It's getting close to registration time!

*/ Hank Kohl K8DD k8dd@arrl.net
*/ ARRL TS <http://www.qsl.net/k8dd>
*/ MI-QRP - Vice Pres. QRP-ARCI - Director
*/

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 16:51:55 -0800
From: "Bob Tellefsen" <n6wg@earthlink.net>
To: <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92388] Re: LED Voltage Drop
Message-ID: <001b01c09d32\$d2383b00\$a4d0fc9e@oemcomputer>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Doug

The voltage drop across an LED is affected by the color! Seems odd, but true.

The best way to see is to take a 9v battery and some resistors in series with your LED. Try it at different currents through the LED and measure the voltage drop across the LED.

Try a 1K resistor to start with. You can figure the current by measuring the voltage drop across the resistor. You should see something around 7.5 to 8.5 volts with a 9v battery. This represents about 8 ma through the resistor and LED.

Then try a few other resistors, a bit larger and smaller to see how current level affects the voltage across the LED. It isn't as constant as a Zener diode.

73, Bob N6WG

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 17:03:01 -0800 (PST)
From: Gary Slagel <gdslagel@yahoo.com>
To: QRP L <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92389] FS: SST40 QRP xcvr
Message-ID: <20010223010302.37939.qmail@web11603.mail.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

I have a Wilderness Radio 40 meter SST for sale. See
<http://www.fix.net/~jparker/wilderness/sst.htm> for
more info on the sst.

Very good shape. It is completely stock (no mods)
except I installed both varactors and put a switch in
the front panel to increase the frequency range a
little. Using both switch positions it covers about
7.038 to 7.045 mhz with just a little overlap in the
middle. Everything works well. I made a good solid

qso from Colorado to California last nite on my dipole that is up in the air 30 feet. I measured the power out on my wm-2 and its a hair under 2 watts (about 1.8). Its in the original brushed aluminum case. I never even put any decals, etc to mark the connections and freq. I've had it for a little over a year(?).

\$85 includes shipping in lower 48 US.

Thanks & 73, Gary

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Personal Website: <http://marina.fortunecity.com/sanpedro/351>

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Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 20:06:18 -0500
From: rich a <rckchp@home.com>
To: mpaley@wcnet.org
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92390] Re: GQPlus allband transceiver
Message-ID: <3A95B78A.E00BC0B9@home.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Mark Paley wrote:

>
> I am wondering if anyone in this group has built the GQPlus allband CW
> transceiver. You can see it at this URL:
>
> <http://www.qrpproject.de/gqpluse.htm>
> Just curious--don't even know what it costs in terms of US dollars but it
> sounds pretty neat.
>
> Mark Paley--KF8KL--
> K1 #117, K2 #250

>

Cost is approx \$452.00 US dollars

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 19:37:31 -0500
From: "Tom Dooley" <tdooley@atl.mediaone.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>, "_AAAA_NOGA_onlist \
(E-mail\)" <nogaqrp@qth.net>
Subject: [92391] NOGA's own K04WX on ARRL Members Only Site!
Message-ID: <003f01c09d30\$cf66820\$88185818@atl.mediaone.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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charset="Windows-1252"
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For those who are members of the ARRL, please check out Mike Boatright's Extreme QRP article on the members only page. Mike has contributed many articles to QRP ARCI's QRP Quarterly, so many of you are already familiar with Mike's great writing style.

<http://www.arrl.org/members-only/extra/features/2001/02/12/1/>

My apologies in advance to those who are not members of the ARRL.

72 de K4TJD Tom

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 18:25:06 -0700
From: "Kevin Nathan" <k7rx@uswest.net>
To: <QRP-L@LEHIGH.EDU>
Subject: [92392] Paddle Needed Move to Seattle
Message-ID: <005401c09d37\$74bd50a0\$0300000a@uswest.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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charset="iso-8859-1"
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Hi All,

I just accepted a job in Seattle. Most likely I will be moving there in

about two weeks to commute between Seattle and Boise where I live now coming home on weekends. The only radio other than my vhf/uhf rig I will have is my Norcal 20. I need a paddle to use with the keyer. Does anyone on here have an extra paddle available at a very low price? A White Rook or something similar would be ok. I'm not picky at this point. It just needs to be very reasonable. Also, does anyone on the list know of a qrp group in the Seattle area with whom I can make contact when I get there?

Thanks much and 72.
Kevin, K7RX :)

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 19:30:08 -0600
From: "Chuck Carpenter" <w5usj@globeco.net>
To: andrew@utahdesign.com, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92393] Manhattan Pads at Dan's
Message-ID: <3.0.2.32.20010222193008.006b76bc@mail.globeco.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Andrew and Group,

Found this in Dan's on-line catalog:

"Bag of Manhattan style construction pads, double sided circuit board material,
500 Assorted pieces round, square, etc. Get all 500 for \$5.00"

Odds and Ends Section #4...

Could be from sources such as Paul mentioned... 8^)...

Chuck Carpenter, W5USJ, Point, Rains Co., TX - EM22cv, NETXQRP #1
ARCI #5422, QRP-L #1306, SOC #57, Six Club #201, SMIRK #6275
RARA #3, NETXQRP <http://www.angelfire.com/tx4/netxqrpclub/>
[TMPS] Qs - 58, States - 24, DX - 14, 3W to HF9V (or W9INN Inv V)

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 20:37:22 -0500
From: "John J. McDonough" <wb8rcr@arrl.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92394] Hotlanta
Message-ID: <00d801c09d39\$2fba2940\$010044c0@baycty1.mi.home.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="Windows-1252"
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Looks like I will be making a number of trips to Atlanta over the next few months. I am anxiously awaiting the arrival of a K1 intended to help drive off the boredom of evenings in the hotel room, but there may be other radio related diversions I should know about.

I won't be staying over any weekends but are there any QRP gatherings or related stuff I should know about?

72/73 de WB8RCR <http://members.home.com/wb8rcr/index.htm>
didileydadidah QRP-L #1446 Code Warriors #35

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 19:49:47 -0600
From: Paul Dryer <psdryer@ticnet.com>
To: andrew@utahdesign.com
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92395] Re: Manhattan construction pads
Message-ID: <3A95C1BB.220A258A@ticnet.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I use a band saw and cut out a hundred or so. Also use the band saw to make some spiffy cases out of plexiglass too. Band saws are good!
paul
kd5ivp

Andrew Madsen wrote:

> Hi,
> I am looking for a good way to make pads for manhattan
> construction. I have seen a punch available from Harbor Freight
> mentioned, but I didn't catch which punch. I am also looking for ways
> to do it other than with a hole punch.
>
> --
> 73,
> Andrew R. Madsen AC7CF
> ac7cf@youngradioamateurs.com
> <http://www.youngradioamateurs.com/>

> League of Young Radio Amateurs
> Utah Section Manager
> Electronics Committee Chairman
> CW/QRP Committee Co-Chairman

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 21:04:17 -0500
From: kg4dzu@juno.com
To: kd7s@psnw.com
Cc: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [92396] Re: Manhattan construction pads
Message-ID: <20010222.210418.-1772215.0.kg4dzu@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I bought a bag of pads (500, I think) from Dan's Small Parts. Believe it was \$ 5.00 or so.

Bruce Shaw
kg4dzu
Gibsonville NC

On Thu, 22 Feb 2001 15:24:53 -0800 Bill Jones <kd7s@psnw.com> writes:

> I have often thought that some enterprising person with a Harbor
> Freight
> punch and a lot of scrap PC board stock could package up small
> quantities of pads and sell them to those of us who may want to
> experiment with Manhattan construction but haven't yet been bitten
> sufficiently hard by the bug to buy their own punch.

>

> --

> -----

> Bill Jones - KD7S <><
> Sanger, California
> <http://www.psnw.com/~kd7s/>
> -----

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 21:10:43 EST
From: K5BDZ@aol.com
To: zlau@arrl.org, qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [92397] Re: Replacement fo MC1350
Message-ID: <c.11a0a11b.27c720a3@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

In a message dated 02/22/2001 12:50:40 PM Central Standard Time,
zlau@arrl.org writes:

<< <http://www.rfmd.com/DataBooks/db97/2627.pdf> >>

Thanks Zack - looks like this is even better than the MC1350.
Zack never ceases to amaze me...always very few words but "bullseye" with his
comments.

Bill K5BDZ

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 21:16:54 EST
From: K5BDZ@aol.com
To: mpaley@wcnet.org, qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [92398] Re: GQPlus allband transceiver
Message-ID: <11.10274759.27c72216@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

In a message dated 02/22/2001 5:59:29 PM Central Standard Time,
mpaley@wcnet.org writes:

<< <http://www.qrpproject.de/gqpluse.htm> >>

Mark

Currently one U.S. Dollar equal roughly 2 German Marks, and the price on the
website was 980,00 DM or roughly U.S. \$ 490.00

Bill K5BDZ

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 20:20:59 -0600 (CST)
From: ac5ez@webtv.net (Larry)
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [92399] FS shack cleaing
Message-ID: <7025-3A95C90B-1754@storefull-111.iap.bryant.webtv.net>
Content-Disposition: Inline
Content-Type: Text/Plain; Charset=US-ASCII
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7Bit
MIME-Version: 1.0 (WebTV)

The Tuner and DSP units have been sold.
Still have two keyers and a filter up for grabs.

Thanks

K1zw
Larry
Qcwa

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 18:47:29 -0800
From: Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>
To: Kevin Nathan <k7rx@uswest.net>
Cc: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [92400] Re: Paddle Needed Move to Seattle
Message-ID: <20010222184729.A2694@oz.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Disposition: inline

Kevin,

There is currently no formal QRP group, but there are several active QRPers in the area.

The Western Washington DX Club is sponsoring a QRP marathon (see how many DX countries you can work during 2001 with 5 watts or less; several are already over the 100 mark). The March 13 meeting will feature a presentation by KI7XV of Paddlette (and one of his paddles will be part of the monthly raffle).

Welcome to the Puget Sound area.

72, Bob N7XY

On Thu, Feb 22, 2001 at 06:25:06PM -0700, Kevin Nathan wrote:

> Hi All,
>
> I just accepted a job in Seattle. Most likely I will be moving there in
> about two weeks to commute between Seattle and Boise where I live now coming
> home on weekends. The only radio other than my vhf/uhf rig I will have is
> my Norcal 20. I need a paddle to use with the keyer. Does anyone on here
> have an extra paddle available at a very low price? A White Rook or
> something similar would be ok. I'm not picky at this point. It just needs
> to be very reasonable. Also, does anyone on the list know of a qrp group in
> the Seattle area with whom I can make contact when I get there?
>
> Thanks much and 72.
> Kevin, K7RX :)

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Bob Nielsen, N7XY
Bainbridge Island, WA
IOTA NA-065, USI WA-028S

nielsen@oz.net
<http://www.oz.net/~nielsen>

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 21:45:48 -0500
From: "Phil (VA3UX)" <phil@vaxxine.com>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [92401] Re: Suggestions on learning Morse code
Message-ID: <3.0.5.32.20010222214548.007a0e90@vaxxine.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

At 04:35 PM 2/22/2001 -0600, you wrote:

>Hi Rod,

>

>As the other person told you, many people have many suggestions that has
>worked for them. You will have to find what fits your life style. I
>think the most important thing in learning code is DO NOT memorize the
>code by sight, learn it by ear, the sound of the code.

Absolutely correct !! DO NOT memorize by sight. Morse code is not a visual communication method - it's completely auditory. It has nothing to do with eye sight at all. Memorizing visual images of dots and dashes will seriously slow down your progress because you will do TWO translations in your head when you start listening, instead of one. For example when you hear "di dah", your mind will first tell you that's "a dot and a dash", it will search your memory for the table you memorized visually, find the "dot dash" combination and then conclude that is the letter "A". While all that is going on in your head, 2 more characters have just been sent and you've missed them because your mind was busy translating. When you learn by sound, you'll hear "di dah" and the letter "A" will appear in your mind. The ARRL code tapes from the 80's - I think it was "Tune in the World..." - used the auditory method. You would hear the "di dah" sound and the announcer on the tape would immediately say "A".

>

>Like I said at the beginning, my path is different to yours, but this is
>what I would do if I could start all over again. At present I know that
>I have some bad habits I need to remove, some I would not have if I had
>not memorized the code by sight.

>

I'll second this too. Before I got my license 16 years ago, I had just finished memorizing the code by sight when I discovered the ARRL tapes. It

took quite a while for the double translation thing (from visual memorization) to go away - probably a year or more.

Phil

>Best Regards

>

>Bryn

>N4VM

>

>

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 21:55:32 -0500

From: Tom Isgro <k8cz@concentric.net>

To: qrp-1 <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>

Subject: [92402] [Fwd: [fpqrp] TRUFFLE HUNT 23 FEB 2001 K8CZ]

Message-ID: <3A95D124.B6300FD8@concentric.net>

MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Tom Isgro wrote:

>

> Here are the official results of tonight's Truffle Hunt

>

> Rig here is a Yaesu FT-757 GX running 5 watts to a Butternut HF6V

> vertical mounted on the ground over buried radials. I have no idea how

> many are left intact.

>

> Call	Name	RST	QTH	FP	
> WB8ICN	Mike	599	MI	68	
> K0EVZ	Doc	579	ND	49	
> N10DL	Aron	559	NH	122	
> W0PWE	Jerry	599	IA	---	5 watts
> WU9F	Terry	559	WI	189	
> AF4PS	Mac	579	FL	51	
> N8VAR	Ron	559	OH	64	
> AC5JH	Tom	559	OK	--	5 watts
> W2XN	Fred	539	FL	126	

>

> Great job fellows.

>

> --

>
> "No matter where you go, there you are"
>
> 72, 73 oo's
> Tom K8CZ Hamilton, OH
> FPqrp #-41, QRP-1 945, FISTS 2360, NORCAL 2113, ARCI 9606,
> 10-10 68364, SCI 1479, ARS 203, SOC 336, ARRL
>
> <http://www.geocities.com/k8cz/qrp.html>
>
> -To unsubscribe, mail to majordomo@fpqrp.com, msg: unsubscribe fpqrp-l -

--

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10-10 68364, SCI 1479, ARS 203, SOC 336, ARRL

<http://www.geocities.com/k8cz/qrp.html>

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 22:23:06 -0500 (EST)
From: "Paul R. Valko" <prvalko@oakland.edu>
To: Rod Eng <RENG@kimcontrols.com>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92403] #1 tip on... Re: Suggestions on learning Morse code
Message-ID: <Pine.OSF.4.21.0102221620370.8794-1000000@saturn4.acs.oakland.edu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

On Thu, 22 Feb 2001, Rod Eng wrote:

> I need to learn the code-am a no code tech now. Any suggestions are
> appreciated!!

Here's W8KC's #1 all-time greatest tip for learning the code.

H I D E A L L Y O U R M I C R O P H O N E S

Now I don't want to go on a rant here, but on one of my favorite repeaters we have a saying:

There are two types of people...

Those who are learning the Morse Code, and
Those who a talking about learning the code.

You can't be learning the code if you are on the repeater all the time talking about learning the code. Get a code tape or CD made and be listening to THAT in the car instead of yaking about "learning the code" on the repeater.

Do it for a couple weeks and you'll be at 5 WPM. Then, get on the air. The ONLY way I ever made Extra Class some 20 years back was to LITERALLY put every mic I owned - even the 2M FM mobile mic - up in the ceiling of my ham shack. If I wanted to play with the radio, it was CW - period. In the car, it was the old 73 Magazine 20WPM cassette tape. Anyone remember those? Remember Wayne Green's text in the advertisement for those tapes? Steely-eyed government examiner... heh heh it still makes me smile.

But that's just my opinion, I could be wrong.

73! =paul= W8KC
Collector of Ten*Tecs and other fine plastics.
Visit the Virtual Ten*Tec Museum at:
<<http://www.acs.oakland.edu/~prvalko>>

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 19:42:40 -0800
From: "K7FD N7SG" <cqdx@teleport.com>
To: "QRP-L" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92404] Happy Dance!
Message-ID: <007501c09d4a\$ada6bba0\$6a231ad8@N7SG>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Nabbed the fox at 0339Z! I figured 'no way' on this one...then, out of the blue, I hear K7FD! ?Can it be? Yahoooo!

73 John K7FD, K2/Original Knob

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 22:43:31 -0500
From: w2xn@juno.com
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [92405] Fox Hunt #37
Message-ID: <20010222.225647.-840841.4.w2xn@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Tom,

Thanks for the pelt. You had a great signal here in Lakeland, FL, at 559. Constant with no problem copying on this end. It sounded like you had a good rate going and you should have quite a log. Can't wait to see it.

thanks again,

fred w2xn
Lakeland, FL

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<http://dl.www.juno.com/get/tagj>.

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 22:58:30 -0500
From: Pete Burbank <plburbank@kih.net>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [92406] Re Code suggestions
Message-ID: <5.0.2.1.0.20010222222757.00a67d70@KIH.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

Dear gang

I have mixed feelings about the opinions whether visual memorization is detrimental.

If your neural connections are agile it should not cause problems.

For example; Typing code is IMHO a dual translation. If you want to write it down, #1 pencils are a lot faster I buy them at the local office supply.

I certainly agree with leaving the rig on and "reading the mail" as you do something else.

I'm not a Neurologist but I think that once you learn to walk and chew gum at the same time the learning method is not that critical. Your brain puts it all together.

Flame Suit On

73 Pete NV4V

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 23:32:23 -0500
From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
To: na5n@rt66.com
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [92407] Re: Manhattan construction pads
Message-ID: <3A95E7D7.7DC38B4D@erols.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Guys,

You know I looked at Dan's site a few days ago and he had pads for Manhattan construction projects listed. I didn't note the price but it wasn't much! He was selling bags of 500 pads, I think!

73

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 21:43:30 -0700
From: "Kevin Nathan" <k7rx@uswest.net>
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [92408] Paddles Found
Message-ID: <009601c09d53\$2c0bef80\$03000000a@uswest.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi All,

I've got some paddles coming. Thanks and see you all later. 72
Kevin, K7RX :)

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 23:50:08 -0500
From: "Don Wilhelm" <w3fpr@arrl.net>
To: <plburbank@kih.net>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92409] Re: Re Code suggestions
Message-ID: <017701c09d54\$223e5d20\$bbb8183f@dbw11main>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Pete and gang,

Other folks may not have similar problems, but I first learned the code visually as a young Boy Scout - and I didn't realize there was a problem until I hit about 15 wpm, and then I found out that I had trouble recognizing numbers. To this day, I still have trouble with the numbers - I can copy plain text at a good clip, but when a number arrives, if the speed is over about 20 wpm, my mind slows down to about 15 wpm and I lose several characters before my mind catches up again.

73,

Don Wilhelm -Chapel Hill, NC W3FPR home page:
<http://www.w3fpr.webprovider.com>
QRP-L # 485 K2 SN 0020 [mailto: w3fpr@arrl.net](mailto:w3fpr@arrl.net)

----- Original Message -----

From: "Pete Burbank" <plburbank@kih.net>

> Dear gang
> I have mixed feelings about the opinions whether visual memorization is
> detrimental.
>

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 22:19:33 -0700
From: Larry East <wlhue@amsat.org>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Cc: <zlau@arrl.org>
Subject: [92410] Re: Replacement fo MC1350
Message-ID: <5.0.2.1.2.20010222221927.00af5560@mail.ida.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

>

>RF2627 16mA max at 3V
><http://www.rfmd.com/DataBooks/db97/2627.pdf>
>--Zack W1VT

According to the spec sheet, the frequency range is 12-238 MHz. That would imply that it might not be usable as a 9MHz IF amp. Wonder how hard and fast the minimum frequency spec is...

W1HUE

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 21:26:54 -0800
From: JJ&A <w7ls@blarg.net>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [92411] Epiphyte-3
Message-ID: <3A95F49E.3DF45437@blarg.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Sorry for the mass posting, but I was mass-flooded with inquiries. I was talked into keeping the little gem by a friend that knew more about the rig than I did. Jim W7LS

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 21:40:24 -0800
From: "Bob Tellefsen" <n6wg@earthlink.net>
To: <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92412] Re: Happy Dance!
Message-ID: <000801c09d5b\$1f1f3ea0\$5ad1fc9e@oemcomputer>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Good going, John.
I didn't start hearing him at all until into his second hour, then started calling like crazy, but no cigar.
At least there is a next time (Fox).
73, Bob N6WG

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 21:24:42 -0800
From: "K7FD N7SG" <cqdx@teleport.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92413] Re: [JOY]: Max Headcopy
Message-ID: <00b401c09d58\$fab199c0\$6a231ad8@N7SG>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Learn to copy behind a few words and write long hand as you go...you'll find this will allow you to go just about as speedy as you want....up to a point. After about 45wpm I usually switch to a keyboard & type it out. If I'm not in a qso but just listening, whether 20 or 45wpm, I use headcopy only.

When in a qso, I'm happiest headcopying at 19wpm - 22wpm jotting down a few notes along the way. That allows me to build kits, surf the internet, run to fridge, or otherwise multi-task. Keep it reasonable and you can do two things at once!

73 John K7FD

> Here I disagree abit. Sticking with pencil and paper is what prevented me
> from getting much above 18 - 20 wpm. Why ? Because 20 wpm (+/- a bit) is
> just about as fast as a person can print...

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 02:01:29 -0500
From: Pete Burbank <plburbank@kih.net>
To: "Don Wilhelm" <w3fpr@arrl.net>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92414] Re: Re Code suggestions
Message-ID: <5.0.2.1.0.20010223012226.00a6e780@KIH.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

At 11:50 PM 2/22/2001 -0500, Don Wilhelm wrote:

>Pete and gang,

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>Other folks may not have similar problems, but I first learned the code
>visually as a young Boy Scout - and I didn't realize there was a problem
>until I hit about 15 wpm, and then I found out that I had trouble
>recognizing numbers. To this day, I still have trouble with the numbers - I
>can copy plain text at a good clip, but when a number arrives, if the speed
>is over about 20 wpm, my mind slows down to about 15 wpm and I lose several
>characters before my mind catches up again.

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>73,
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>
>----- Original Message -----
>From: "Pete Burbank" <plburbank@kih.net>
>
> > Dear gang
> > I have mixed feelings about the opinions whether visual memorization is
> > detrimental.
> >

Don and gang
I thought the numbers were the easy part of the code. and mentally visualized them as Two 5 step ladders leaning together. The first step up was one dit and four dahs etc and then at the top you start down the other way with a Dah for each step until you get to 5 Dahs for the Zero.
The neat part when in an FCC exam was that they counted for two characters' The trick was to realize that there were 5 characters right away.
Peoples brains work in different ways so I guess there are lots of opinions about learning this language.I must confess that when I got my first Ticket there was no such thing as a cassette or CD player.
I agree with those who say that the main thing is to get on the airwaves and bang away....the speed goes up by itself if you relax and enjoy it.
73 Pete NV4V

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 08:06:46 +0100
From: Dominique FERRAND <dominique.ferrand@st.com>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [92415] SMALL WONDERS 20m
Message-ID: <3A960C06.3310D2AA@st.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hello

I search all documents for SMALL WONDERS 20m (web site)

TKS Dominique F6EPW Grenoble France 73

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 01:14:47 -0600
From: Dave Sjolín <sjolin@swbell.net>
To: dominique.ferrand@st.com
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92416] Re: SMALL WONDERS 20m
Message-ID: <3A960DE7.875CF488@swbell.net>
MIME-version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-transfer-encoding: 7bit

Dominique FERRAND wrote:

>
> Hello
>
> I search all documents for SMALL WONDERS 20m (web site)
>
> TKS Dominique F6EPW Grenoble France 73

<http://www.smallwonderlabs.com/>

73 de Dave, N0IT

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 00:51:46 -0700
From: "Rod Cerkoney" <n0rc@hotmail.com>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [92417] WTT: DSW-30 (kit) for DSW-40 (kit)
Message-ID: <F209SFsxf4yp8ARf3sl000076a5@hotmail.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; format=flowed

Title says it. I have an unassembled DSW-30 kit, with case. I'd like a DSW-40 (unassembled with case). Want to make an even trade?

73, Rod N0RC
Fort Collins, CO 80525

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Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 06:45:35 -0500
From: "Ron Polityka" <wb3aal@fast.net>
To: ". QRP-L" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>, ". NJ QRP-L" <njqrp@njqrp.org>
Subject: [92418] **Final Call** for the QRPers Contest Calendar 2001
Message-ID: <012901c09d8e\$230634a0\$c30d5cd1@wb3aal>

MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hello Everyone,

No orders will be taken after March 1, 2001 @ 00:00 UTC
for the calendar. So if you would like a copy it has to be
post marked before the above date. Thank you to those hams
that helped make this project a successful one.

v v v v v Original E-mail for the Calendar. v v v v v

If you have reserved a calendar and you did not send
in you money, please do so soon. The cost is \$10. If you
would like a calendar please e-mail me with your name,
call and amount of calendars.

=====

The Eastern PA QRP Club still has copies of the
2nd Annual QRP Contest Calendar for 2001 in stock.
You can find detailed information at: www.n3epa.org

Check out the comments from some of the
hams that have already received their calendar.

It is photographic quality with color pictures, this will be
100% better than our first calendar. We will mail the
calendar out on the Saturday after I receive you check or
money order.

This calendar will list QRP contests and contests with QRP
categories. It will be a fold-out style that you can hang on
your wall next to your rig. There will be a lists of Web sites
and contest managers calls. The Web site addresses will
have the contest rules plus much more. The color pictures
will feature the winners of kit-building contest that are held at
the different QRP forums or conventions throughout the year.
This is really a handy calendar to have in the shack. The
calendar will measure 11" x 17" when open. It will be in color
and B&W format, with the pictures and information on the top
half.

Order Now!

72 & 73

Good DXing

Ron Polityka
de N3EPA
n3epa@fast.net

vvv Eastern Pennsylvania QRP Web Page vvv
www.n3epa.org

Eastern Pennsylvania QRP Club Call
N3EPA E-mail address: n3epa@fast.net

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 07:49:18 EST
From: K5BDZ@aol.com
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [92419] Houston Tx area Give Away
Message-ID: <61.baa7ddb.27c7b64e@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

We've moved, and with 70 foot pines, I don't need poles.

Am giving away - and you gotta haul off - numerous "Radio Shack Pushup Poles" from my past home in Southwest Houston. First come, takes it.

Also giving away what's left of 29 years of other ham radio stuff (than means you gotta take - haul away - the whole box, not just the variable cap or the roller inductor in the bottom!).

My motto has changed from

"better to have it and not need it than to need it and not have it"

TO

"If I haven't seen it in 6 months, or needed it in 2 months, OUT it Goes!"

(Wife and children ...and maybe the cat....excluded)

e-mail me for info and my phone number ... K5BDZ@aol.com

Bill Hickox, K5BDZ

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 08:12:03 -0500
From: Rick Robinson <rerobins@email.uncc.edu>

To: mpaley@wcnet.org
Cc: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [92420] Re: GQPlus allband transceiver
Message-ID: <v03102800b6bc0bc3308a@[152.15.144.71]>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Mark Paley, KF8KL, writes;

>I am wondering if anyone in this group has built the GQPlus allband CW
>transceiver. You can see it at this URL:
>
> <http://www.qrpproject.de/gqpluse.htm>
>Just curious--don't even know what it costs in terms of US dollars but it
>sounds pretty neat.

Yesterday's exchange rate was 2.16DM per US\$. That makes the kit \$453.70.
Toss in shipping from Germany and the 100DM/\$46.30 "Warranty of
Functionality", whatever that is, and you're at the price of an Elecraft
K2. There is no mention of any accessories or options available for the
GQPlus. No specs are given on weight, power consumption, receiver, etc.

The GQPlus looks like an interesting rig but who knows how long it will be
around. Isn't the AD9851 DDS chip that the GQPlus uses the same chip, or
in the same chip family, that Dave Benson of Small Wonder Labs has found to
be unavailable?

72,

Rick kf4ar

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 08:16:59 -0500
From: "Doyle, Ronald D" <RD130947@exchange.DAYTONOH.NCR.com>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Cc: "Doyle, Ron (Home)" <n8var@arrl.net>
Subject: [92421] FOX: I'm da fox twice next week!!!
Message-ID: <51643DBAD36BD411851300E029265867028A36BF@SUSDAYTE53>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"

We are going to try and get this out early.

Cub Fox:

Monday eve, February 26, 9:00pm est I will be the Cub Fox. The frequency will be 7.143 +- qrm/qrn. The speed will be around 12wpm. Some of you guys can do a lot faster than that and I can usually copy a lot faster than that but that's not the purpose of the hunt so please slow down for those who are listening and can't copy fast. Remember we are trying to help the slower speed ops boost their speed. The hunt has been going on several months so if you wanted to increase your speed and have been keeping up you should be able to do the 12wpm. My exchange will be the same every time so mainly all you will need to copy is your call.

If you can't send at 12wpm that's OK, I've been know to copy a lot slower. The main thing is to get on the air.

My exchange will be:

<your call> 559 oh ron 5w <your call>

You send

rst spc name pwr

You probably will not need to repeat but I won't complain if you do.

I made 53 contacts last time and I am hoping to beat that this time. The conditions have been pretty good lately so come on out and join the fun!

Winter Fox

Then on Thursday eve, March 1, at 9:00pm est I will be the Winter Fox. The frequency will be 7.041 to 7.043 +- qrm. Now this has gotten to be a real big gathering. I've had some practice and will do my best to work as many as I can. I will be running right at 20wpm with the same exchange format as above. If you send at to high of a speed you probably won't make contact. I'm talking 30 to 40wpm here. The pile-up is just way to big for me to pick out the higher speed ops. Slower I can easily deal with. My RIT range is about 1khz and I will be using it liberally to pick out calls that I can here.

Lately on my hunts I have been picking a frequency out and letting the fox find me. That may be the best way to do it. Of course if your over 1khz away from my xmit freq you may not make contact. Those that can move off of my xmit freq please do so to help others hear me. Those that can't please try to move a little bit if you can. I have been able to move off freq and even though the tone is a little higher (or lower, I can't remember) I can still hear the tone. I have heard of others doing this too with good luck. A simple RIT by ear so to speak.

We are out here to have fun so don't sweat the small stuff and lets all have a good time and get on the air!

72 de Ron, N8VAR
Cub Fox February 26
Winter Fox March 1

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 08:35:58 EST
From: K4IA@aol.com
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [92422] How to pass the Code test (really)
Message-ID: <c.11a4fa19.27c7c13e@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

The Boy Scout story reminds me of my own Scouting experience with the Code.

I had learned the code by ear. But code can also be sent visually by flashlight or flag (one side is dot other dash). Even though I knew the code by ear, I could not translate the visual without sounding it out in my head. Very distracting and confusing. I knew the code better than anybody but I could not "translate" fast enough to copy it visually.

Lesson: learn it the way you use it and will be tested -- by ear. Further, stop listening to random sets of letters as soon as you can identify the letters. Your test will be in QS0 format. Get used to copying words.

As for the test -- it is not hard if you break it down to its component pieces:

5 wpm for 5 minutes is only 25 words. There are 10 questions on those 25 words and you need to answer 7. That means you only need to get enough copy (maybe half the letters) to correctly guess the 7 answers to less than half of what is sent to you. Do the math: $.5 \times .7 \times .5 =$ you can pass the test copying 17.5% or less. I believe most fail because of lack of confidence not proficiency.

Why do I say that? You know the format is a QS0 and not engineering text -- like "real" Hams had to copy ;-) So expect what is coming and be ready for it. 2 callsigns repeated, an RST, a QTH, name, Wx and maybe equipment.

Pay attention to the callsigns -- no shortcuts there except they are repeated so if you miss a character you have another chance. The rest of the QS0 is where it gets really easy. The RST is always 5x9 so you only need copy one

number. The town and state are spelled out so you can guess what they are without copying every letter (where is B-st-n, Mas--?) American names aren't hard to guess based on a few letters (who is B--l?) you can bet it isn't Zdenekskivoyitch. Weather words are easy to guess (a "w" at the end tells you "snow") and the few equipment manufacturers have very different names -- if you get a "Y" you can bet it is Yaesu. This is an example of an answer made based on copying 1 letter in 5 (20%).

There are plenty of code practice programs, available free on the Internet, that will send you test-like QSOs. Try them to build up your proficiency and confidence.

The good news is, once you learn the code and start using it, your speed will increase rapidly. You'll plateau at times but it won't take long before you'll be cooking away at 15-20 wpm. The other good news is you will never forget. I was QRT for 30 years and the code came back without effort.

Radio K4IA
Craig Buck
Fredericksburg, Virginia USA
QRP ARCI #2550 FISTS #6702 CC 788
K1 #470

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Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 08:51:17 -0500
From: Harris Keith E CONT CNIN <harris_k@crane.navy.mil>
To: "'qrp-l@lehigh.edu'" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [92423] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
Message-ID:
<4F76B3D4A76AD111803B00A0C9893D9C06ED8D1E@cninexchsrv05.crane.navy.mil>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain

Craig,

One thing I would add to your advice on how to pass the code test. Don't try to read the plain text as you are copying. If you do you will probably miss the next few characters. Just try to copy the letters, reading the message as it's sent will distract you. When I took the code test the questions were in the order they appeared in the message. What this means is that if you know the qnswer to question 5 and question 7, look between where 5 and 7 appear in the text for the answer to 6. Also, if you don't know the answer, guess. You know that a blank is not the right

answer. And if you don't make the first try, take it again. They have three different code tests so maybe a different test would work better. Being what was known as a "ditty bop" (Morse Systems Specialist) in the Air Force I've taken tons of code tests, both in school and for promotions, and they expected alot better than 70% correct! It's not as hard as you might think. Once you get it you'll wonder why you thought it so hard. Good luck to all of you learning code, hang in there, it's worth the effort.

73 de N9KH

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 08:41:17 -0500
From: "John P. Cummins, Sr." <jpcummins@charter.net>
To: harris_k@crane.navy.mil
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [92424] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
Message-ID: <3A96687D.DCB5CE06@charter.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Do what Bill Bash recommended 25 years ago in his "Bash Notes"... At 5 WPM just write down the dots and dashes and go back and figure it out after the fact. All of the VE sessions that I have served as a VE at let the testees have as much time as the needed to go back and fill in the blanks.

5 WPM is a joke. We had two 12 year old twin guys pass the 20 WPM using straight copy.

Pickett, AD4S

Harris Keith E CONT CNIN wrote:

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>
> 73 de N9KH

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 09:18:21 -0500
From: Jake Brodsky <frussle@erols.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [92425] Re: Suggestions on learning Morse code
Message-ID: <70sc9tks0nrsifbkoplfgb3dldchbafj14@4ax.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable

On Thu, 22 Feb 2001 14:47:29 -0600, Rod Eng wrote:

>I need to learn the code-am a no code tech now. Any suggestions are
>appreciated!! THEN I will be ready for some homebrew or kit building!

Don't fall for too many gimmick approaches. The best way to learn the
code is to practice, practice, practice. That's how I got to 20 WPM
for my Extra so many years ago. It's the Nike attitude: Just Do It. =20

This is really no different than learning to play a musical
instrument, speaking another language, or learning to draw, paint,
cook, or sculpt. There are methods you can use for that extra boost
of insight, but don't get caught up in them to the exclusion of actual
practice. =20

72,

Jake Brodsky, AB3A <mailto:frussle@erols.com>
"Beware of the massive impossible!"

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 09:19:41 -0500
From: Harris Keith E CONT CNIN <harris_k@crane.navy.mil>
To: "'qrp-l@lehigh.edu'" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [92426] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
Message-ID:
<4F76B3D4A76AD111803B00A0C9893D9C06ED8D20@cninexchsrv05.crane.navy.mil>
MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain

John, et al,

That works too. I hear of a VE every once in a while that pitches a fit when someone does this, but they usually end up accepting it. The rules of the game say you have to copy, it doesn't say how you copy or what you put on the paper. I have heard of VE's getting bent out of shape over someone who head copies and answered the questions without having written anything down. Guess you can be too good sometimes. Just remember, it CAN be done and YOU can do it.

73 de N9KH

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 09:24:05 EST
From: Macstein@aol.com
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [92427] Final Log - CUB FOX AF4PS 2/22/01
Message-ID: <30.10e3d60b.27c7cc85@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Thanks a ton for the corrections. I removed those I thought I heard but didn't, and fixed those I heard wrongly in other ways, or typed wrong. Hearing aides are in my future, I fear. Stations usually loudly were not heard or barely heard, and others were new ones for me. Again, my apologies if I goofed on YOUR exchange.

72
-MAC-
AF4PS

Final Log - CUB FOX AF4PS 2/22/01

K2 at 4 watts, Stealth Loop and Infamous Attic Dipole

01	0200	K4GT	559	GA	Jim	5w
02	0201	K4TJD	559	GA	Tom	4w
03	0202	N4SO	559	AL	Ken	5w
04	0203	W0CH	579	MO	Dave	500mw
05	0206	AC5JH	559	OK	Tom	5w
06	0209	N04D	559	SC	Ken	2w
07	0210	K4FB/5	559	TX	Paul	5w
08	0211	KC1FB	559	CT	Jim	5w

09	0212	N8VAR	559	OH	Ron	5w	
10	0213	KB9BVN	559	IN	Brian		5w
11	0214	K9IS	559	WI	Steve		5w
12	0215	W3PNL	589	PA	Joe		3w
13	0216	KU4TN	559	VA	James		500mw
14	0217	KK5ELD	559	TX	Dan	5w	
15	0219	W3ERU	559	MD	Wes	5w	
16	0221	KF4DFZ	559	FL	Mark		5w
17	0223	WB8ICN	559	MI	Mike		5w
18	0227	KB3E0F	559	MD	Murphy		900mw
19	0228	N4ROA	589	VA	Dan		100mw
20	0230	W9WIS	559	WI	Mike		5w
21	0231	N4VM	559	TN	Bryn		5w
22	0233	KV4EE	559	SC	Craig		5w
23	0235	K0EVZ	559	ND	Doc	5w	
24	0237	K9IUA	559	ND	Kevin		5w
25	0239	NC90	559	IL	Skip		2w
26	0242	VE3FAL	559	ON	Fred	5w	
27	0244	AA7XA	559	OR	Frank		5w
28	0246	VA6RF	559	AB	Earl		5w
29	0248	N5IB	559	LA	Jim		5w
30	0249	KG4FGC	559	NC	Ken	5w	
31	0250	KK6MC	559	NM	Jim		5w
32	0252	KJ0C	559	MO	Jim		5w
33	0254	WU9F	569	WI	Terry		5w
34	0256	W9HL	579	IL	Randy		5w
35	0259	W5YR	559	TX	George		5w
36	0304	N4JIU	559	TX	Bruce		5w
37	0306	AD4S	599	GA	John		2w
38	0309	WD5CMA	569	LA	Gloria		300mw
39	0310	KG4FGC	579	SC	Ken	5w	
40	0321	KI0II	599	CO	Ron	5w	
41	0324	AF4LQ	579	KY	Mike		5w
42	0326	WA50JE	559	TX	Dan	5w	
43	0332	WB8WTU	559	OH	Dennis		5w
44	0336	N8IE	559	OH	Dan		5w
45	0337	W8PIG	559	OH	Poorkey		5w
46	0339	W6ABC	559	CA	Jack		5w
47	0345	K5DI	339	NM	Karl		5w
48	0349	W5YW	559	LA	Mike		200mw
49	0350	KC0GXX	339	NE	Tom	3, 5, 7w	
50	0400	AF4PS	559	FL	Mac	4w	

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 06:46:18 -0800 (PST)

From: Gary Slagel <gdslagel@yahoo.com>
To: QRP L <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92428] FS: SST40 QRP xcvr (oops)
Message-ID: <20010223144618.92653.qmail@web11603.mail.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Made a mistake when I listed the freq coverage last
nite. Actually should read 7.031 - 7.044!!

> I have a Wilderness Radio 40 meter SST for sale.
> See
> <http://www.fix.net/~jparkers/wilderness/sst.htm> for
> more info on the sst.
>
> Very good shape. It is completely stock (no mods)
> except I installed both varactors and put a switch
> in
> the front panel to increase the frequency range a
> little. Using both switch positions it covers about
> 7.038 to 7.045 mhz with just a little overlap in the
> middle. Everything works well. I made a good solid
> qso from Colorado to California last nite on my
> dipole
> that is up in the air 30 feet. I measured the power
> out on my wm-2 and its a hair under 2 watts (about
> 1.8). Its in the original brushed aluminum case. I
> never even put any decals, etc to mark the
> connections
> and freq. I've had it for a little over a year(?).
>
> \$85 includes shipping in lower 48 US.
>
> Thanks & 73, Gary
>

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Gary Slagel/N0SXX
Conifer, CO 80433
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Personal Website: <http://marina.fortunecity.com/sanpedro/351>

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Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 09:48:58 -0500
From: ed.kwik@delphiauto.com
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [92429] MI QRP Net HELP
Message-ID: <052569FC.00516AD7.00@uskokg99.delcoelect.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Disposition: inline

I have not received any response for help with next weeks MI QRP net. If you have any interest in filling in for me on 2/27 please let me know.

Ed AB8DF

----- Forwarded by Ed Kwik on 02/23/2001 09:45 AM

ed.kwik@delphiauto.com on 02/22/2001 07:51:34 AM

Please respond to ed.kwik@delphiauto.com

To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
cc: (bcc: Ed Kwik)

Subject: MI QRP Net HELP

I will be out of town next week on a business trip. Does anyone want to fill in as net control next Tuesday? It would be at 9:00 PM on 3.535 MHz.

Ed AB8DF

Received: from plmlir1.mail.eds.com ([205.191.22.41]) by
usabhm98.mail.delphiauto.com (Lotus SMTP MTA v4.6.5 (863.2 5-20-1999)) with
SMTP id 052569FB.004796AE; Thu, 22 Feb 2001 08:01:56 -0500

Received: from plmlir1.mail.eds.com (localhost [127.0.0.1])
by plmlir1.mail.eds.com (8.11.1/8.11.0) with ESMTTP id f1MD25e26357
for <ed.kwik@delphiauto.com>; Thu, 22 Feb 2001 08:02:05 -0500 (EST)
Received: from plmler3.mail.eds.com (plmler3.mail.eds.com [199.228.142.73])
by plmlir1.mail.eds.com (8.11.1/8.11.0) with ESMTTP id f1MCucb22002
for <ed.kwik@delphiauto.com>; Thu, 22 Feb 2001 07:56:39 -0500 (EST)
Received: from astro.CC.Lehigh.EDU (astro.CC.Lehigh.EDU [128.180.39.2])
by plmler3.mail.eds.com (8.11.1/8.11.1) with ESMTTP id f1MCuc309698
for <ed.kwik@delphiauto.com>; Thu, 22 Feb 2001 07:56:38 -0500
Received: from localhost ([127.0.0.1]:56847 "HELO astro.CC.Lehigh.EDU") by
astro.CC.Lehigh.EDU with SMTP id <76777-1196>; Thu, 22 Feb 2001 07:55:47 -0500
Received: from nss4.CC.Lehigh.EDU ([128.180.39.1]:8164 "EHLO
nss4.cc.lehigh.edu") by astro.CC.Lehigh.EDU with ESMTTP id <76751-1198>; Thu, 22
Feb 2001 07:55:24 -0500
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by nss4.cc.lehigh.edu (8.11.2/8.11.1) with ESMTTP id f1MCtMN285632
for <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>; Thu, 22 Feb 2001 07:55:22 -0500
Received: from plmlir1.mail.eds.com (plmlir1-2.mail.eds.com [199.228.143.132])
by plmler1.mail.eds.com (8.11.1/8.11.1) with ESMTTP id f1MCtNg07330
for <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>; Thu, 22 Feb 2001 07:55:23 -0500
Received: from plmlir1.mail.eds.com (localhost [127.0.0.1])
by plmlir1.mail.eds.com (8.11.1/8.11.0) with ESMTTP id f1MCtJe21259
for <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>; Thu, 22 Feb 2001 07:55:19 -0500 (EST)
Received: from koedgw01.delcoelect.com (koedgw01.delcoelect.com [144.250.1.39])
by plmlir1.mail.eds.com (8.11.1/8.11.0) with ESMTTP id f1MCtJ721247
for <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>; Thu, 22 Feb 2001 07:55:19 -0500 (EST)
Received: from uskokg99.delcoelect.com (uskokg99.delcoelect.com [144.250.3.44])
by koedgw01.delcoelect.com (8.9.3/8.9.3) with SMTP id HAA19092
for <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>; Thu, 22 Feb 2001 07:55:18 -0500 (EST)
Received: by uskokg99.delcoelect.com (Lotus SMTP MTA v4.6.7 (934.1 12-30-1999))
id 052569FB.0046F4CA ; Thu, 22 Feb 2001 07:55:01 -0500
Message-Id: <052569FB.0046F356.00@uskokg99.delcoelect.com>
Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 07:51:34 -0500
Reply-To: ed.kwik@delphiauto.com
Sender: owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Precedence: bulk
From: ed.kwik@delphiauto.com
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: MI QRP Net HELP
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Disposition: inline
X-Lotus-FromDomain: US_GM_TRY_TEC01@DELPHIAUTO
X-Orcpt: rfc822;qrp-l@listserv.cc.lehigh.edu
X-Listprocessor-Version: 8.1 beta -- ListProcessor(tm) by CREN

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|usabhmg98/g/server/delphiauto      |
|usabhh99/us/delphiauto              |
|USKOKH99/us/delphiauto              |
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|08:02:05 AM                          |
|02/22/2001 08:02:10 AM - 02/22/2001 |
|08:02:11 AM                          |
|02/22/2001 08:02:10 AM - 02/22/2001 |
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|02/22/2001 08:03:25 AM - 02/22/2001 |
|08:03:26 AM                          |
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Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 08:54:15 -0500
From: Bill Lazure <n2tpa@juno.com>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [92430] Re: Inductor and Capacitor Questions
Message-ID: <20010223.095606.-335427.0.n2tpa@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Tantalum capacitors don't use a liquid electrolyte, so they won't dry out over time. I'd also heard that their construction provides for a lower ESR at VHF than standard electrolytics.

Bill
W2EB

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Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 09:57:18 -0500
From: "Bob Duckworth" <wb4mnf@atl.org>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92431] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
Message-ID: <200102231456.JAA05420@hat-trick.atl.org>

The method outlined is what happens as you are learning and working up to 5WPM. If you keep up the practice and start copying 'on the air' you'll soon achieve 5WPM solid.

Best way to pass is to take this time to learn the code. If you're musically inclined you might find it as easy as spouse, Linda, who learned 13wpm in 2 hours. I've a tin ear and it took me about 20 hours for 5WPM solid copy. This after reaching the 20% stage. Isn't it worth the extra 10 or 20 hours to ace the test??? You'll feel really good about it. After passing the test, use the code. With a solid 5wpm pass on the test, you'll be comfortable talking to folks and your speed from there will really build.

Once you've become comfortable with CW, you'll find it your favorite mode.

I'm not saying this because I'm a CW fanatic. It's just that without incentive licensing there is no motivation for going beyond this 20% of 5WPM copy and you'll miss out on the satisfaction of really knowing the code. You'll also miss out on many fine conversations, a lot of DX, and a lot of the romance of radio. The problem with CW is that until you get your speed up and really use it, you don't know what you're missing.

-bob

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 09:55:50 -0500
From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
To: K4IA@aol.com
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [92432] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
Message-ID: <3A9679F6.BFACDBDC@erols.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Craig,

I would caution against guessing on the test. However, one thing to note about QSO style tests. Everything that will be asked is preceded by "IS", with the possible exception of "ARE".

73

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 09:57:36 -0500
From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
To: jpcummins@charter.net
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [92433] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
Message-ID: <3A967A60.602AA033@erols.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

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73

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 09:06:29 -0600
From: Michael Melland <badger@vbe.com>
To: QRP-L <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92434] FS: S&S Engineering Tac-1 etc.
Message-ID: <NEBBLKAGEKBNGELOFFCACEBKCFAA.badger@vbe.com>
MIME-version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-transfer-encoding: 7bit

This listed on the Ten-Tec list this morning..... Don't email me, the sellers email is in the post. Sounds inyteresting. Usual disclaimers.... don't know the guy, etc.

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Pristine, flawless inside and outside, S&S Engineering TAC-1 QRP transceiver for 40 meter CW only, covers 7.000-7.150 Khz at 5 to 10 watts output, full very quiet QSK, RIT, optional audio filter and keyer with weight and speed control, BNC antenna jack, 2-speed digital tuning with LCD display, original manual. Includes one headset, two lead acid batteries (1.2 and 3.2 amp hour), power cords. Price includes shipping via either USPS priority mail or UPS ground with insurance. If you are searching for a monobander for 40 meters, this is a great radio. I am selling to buy an Elecraft K2. Contact Bob, K3SR0, at dlrwild1@voicenet.com

ASKING: \$175.00 OBO

73's
Bob

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Michael Melland, W9WIS
QRP-L #1656 QRP-ARCI #9875
SOC #142 IPARC #252
EN54pc Winnebago Cty, Wisc.

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 09:07:35 -0600
From: Paul Dryer <psdryer@ticnet.com>
To: jpcummins@charter.net
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92435] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
Message-ID: <3A967CB6.F36E5FE2@ticnet.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

<5 WPM is a joke. We had two 12 year old twin guys pass the 20 WPM using straight copy.>

That's funny!! My 11 year old daughter, KD5IV0, had to be told to "keep quiet" while giggling her way through her novice code test. Irritatingly slow!
paul

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> > Craig,
> > One thing I would add to your advice on how to pass the code test.
> > Don't try to read the plain text as you are copying. If you do you will
> > probably miss the next few characters. Just try to copy the letters,
> > reading the message as it's sent will distract you. When I took the code
> > test the questions were in the order they appeared in the message. What
> > this means is that if you know the qnsrwer to question 5 and question 7, look
> > between where 5 and 7 appear in the text for the answer to 6. Also, if you
> > don't know the answer, guess. You know that a blank is not the right
> > answer. And if you don't make the first try, take it again. They have
> > three different code tests so maybe a different test would work better.
> > Being what was known as a "ditty bop" (Morse Systems Specialist) in the Air
> > Force I've taken tons of code tests, both in school and for promotions, and
> > they expected alot better than 70% correct! It's not as hard as you might
> > think. Once you get it you'll wonder why you thought it so hard. Good luck
> > to all of you learning code, hang in there, it's worth the effort.
> >
> > 73 de N9KH

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 10:08:45 -0500
From: Harris Keith E CONT CNIN <harris_k@crane.navy.mil>
To: "'qrp-1@lehigh.edu'" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [92436] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
Message-ID:
<4F76B3D4A76AD111803B00A0C9893D9C06ED8D21@cninexchsrv05.crane.navy.mil>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain

Bruce,

What is to be gained by leaving the answer blank. You can be sure that a blank is wrong. If you have no idea what the answer is, you've got a 1 in 4 chance of getting it right by guessing and a zero chance of getting it right if you leave it blank. It's a strange thing, but it's been shown that on multiple choice tests that the majority of correct answers are C. So if you have no idea at all what the right answer is try C, it's better than a blank.

73 de N9KH

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 09:45:06 -0500
From: "John P. Cummins, Sr." <jpcummins@charter.net>
To: unlisted-recipients;; (no To-header on input)
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [92437] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
Message-ID: <3A967772.62B0C9E3@charter.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

That's right Bruce... Except for my Novice test, I took my other 2 code tests at the FCC and had to do straight copy. And you are correct. When the last character was sent, the FCC Engineer announced that all papers had to be turned over and handed in without any further review.

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Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 10:12:08 -0500
From: "ZOOM" <kandrparker@sympatico.ca>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92438] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
Message-ID: <004e01c09dab\$0b1703c0\$39cdfea9@einstein>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Well if you want to get real fancy, MFJ sells an excellent code tutor that sends the code in audio and visually. You can select many options such as speed, Farnsworth method, interactive mode, tone etc. I have one and carry it with me everywhere. It's a great little device and I find much better than tapes.

The model number is MFJ-418

The other option is to listen on HF for the code practice transmission from W1AW. There is a schedule on the net.

The most important thing I found is to teach your ear to recognize the tone pattern.

Don't get frustrated, it will take allot of practice to become proficient.

We all learn the code at different speed depending on our abilities.

Cheers,
Robert
VE3RPF

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 10:21:30 EST
From: N10DL@aol.com
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [92439] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
Message-ID: <d5.2bab070.27c7d9fa@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I learned the code by taking 2 letters a day and learning them by everytime I saw them on a sigh, license plate, or whatever, I would say the letter in code to myself. took me about 1 1/2 months to get good enough to take the test. I also listened to CW as much as I could for no more that half an hour at a time. I passed the 5 WPM and also passed the 20 WPM the same night I took the 5 WPM....really shocked me...This method worked for me.....

Aron
N10DL/qrp

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 10:18:07 -0500
From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
To: harris_k@crane.navy.mil
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [92440] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
Message-ID: <3A967F2F.DBAC8D3C@erols.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Keith,

Way back when I learned the code we probably had a different slant on what and why. We were learning a communications tool, another language. We felt we had to do the translation accurately, the first time.

These days, when code is considered an impediment to getting on the air it probably makes sense to miss a few letters or words along the way. After all, you can always ask for a repeat.

I agree with you that any answer is better than no answer. But 100% copy of at least the answers sent during the test is far better than 80% copy (the minimum to pass). And 80% copy will only extend your learning process onto the air.

73

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 09:31:44 -0600
From: Mike <mmorrow@companet.net>
To: jpcummins@charter.net
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92441] Re: [OT] How to pass the Code test (really)
Message-ID: <3A968260.66BE@companet.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

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> the blanks.

I believe the fellow was "Dick" Bash. He started the trend in the late 1970s of compromising standards by polling examinees leaving FCC exam sessions for the questions and answers in the exam just given. Back then, exams were given only by the FCC and exam banks weren't public, so Dick Bash published his motley collection of re-constituted exam materials, often with incorrect answers shown (he wasn't technically inclined, you understand, and had to go with the answers that the pollee thought were correct). With exams administered by the FCC, no published exam banks, and Morse requirements for ALL licenses 5 wpm or above, it's unbelievable that there were ANY hams who could pass the test back then, huh? Things are so much better now!

The "write-down-dots-and-dashes-method" does not signify any sort of Morse proficiency. VEs who accept that sub-standard should be a"BASH"ed, as should the examinee himself.

73,

Mike / KK5F

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 09:50:14 -0600
From: Mike <mmorrow@companet.net>
To: kandrparker@sympatico.ca
Cc: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [92442] Re: How to pass the Code test (really) - MFJ-418
Message-ID: <3A9686B6.1D@companet.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

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I enthusiastically second this recommendation. The MFJ-418 is THE most useful and enjoyable Morse practice device I've ever encountered in 33 years of hamming. Well worth the \$70 to \$80 price new.

It has been very hard for decades to get practice at higher code speeds by listening to the radio. I used the merchant marine MF and HF CW bands 25 years ago when preparing for my Extra and my commercial radiotelegraph exams, but even then most traffic was only around 25 to 35 wpm. Now all that's gone and only the ham bands provide Morse practice on the radio.

With the MFJ-418, I can listen and practice anywhere, anytime, at speeds well beyond my current target. I especially enjoy the random code group feature while typing the copy on a word processor program. I figure if one can copy XX wpm random characters, XX wpm plain language is child's play. It's so much better than a computer and so much more versatile than what one can find on the ham bands for practice. I also carry mine almost everywhere.

The ONLY area lacking is the ability to compare one's copy with what was

sent, except for the last couple of lines which are displayed on the LCD.

73,

Mike / KK5F

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 09:48:32 -0600
From: "Richard Matthews" <prm@hiwaay.net>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [92443] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
Message-ID: <016a01c09db0\$14796980\$fb06b99d@huntsville.sparta.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I would think that most of the readers of this list already know morse code very well and aren't much interested in how to learn it . But there might be a few who find good information about ways to learn interesting or some who might pass along the information to those still trying to learn the code.

My little niece, who is in the forth grade, likes to play around with my imabic keyer and wants to hear her name in morse. On a recent vistit to my shack, I let her hear the sound of "CQ" and explained to her the way hams use it and let her send it on the keyer. Just a few nights ago, on her next visit, she sat down at the keyer and with no prompting from me, sent a perfect "CQ", then looked up at me and smiled as if to say, "Didn't think I would remember it, did you?".

There is a free, easy, good way to learn morse with the help of your computer called "Morsecat" . . . <http://www.morsecat.de/> . . . download it and run it using the Farnsworth method that sends fast letters, no matter the overall speed you chose. As a bonus you get to see a house cat sending the code on a manual key something you don't see everyday. It has a function that blinks a large letter on the screen as you choose and hear the letter, which I think makes CW much easier to learn. Choose the letter, hear it, see it, and write it down A few weeks of this practice and you will breeze through the 5 WPM code exam.

73,

Richard, WA4NWW

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 10:57:36 -0500
From: Harris Keith E CONT CNIN <harris_k@crane.navy.mil>
To: "'qrp-1@lehigh.edu'" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [92444] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
Message-ID:
<4F76B3D4A76AD111803B00A0C9893D9C06ED8D22@cninexchsrv05.crane.navy.mil>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain

Bruce,

I agree with you that learning to copy the code and not dots and dashes is the way to go. When I was in the AF our code tests were 100 5 letter or 5 number groups and we could miss no more than 5 characters total. That's a 1% error rate or 99% copy, maximum. We were expected to copy 100% as the AF thought is might be "important". I understand the code tests are going change soon. They're going to have "fill in the blanks" instead of multiple choice tests, so if you have no idea what the answer is you're gonna be outta luck. I also understand that at one time you had to send as well as copy the code to pass. That would cut down on the number of people passing the code test IMHO. I'm not sure which way would be preferable. I am sure that we would get a major argument started if we went there though. As far as extending the learning process on the air, isn't that part of Amateur Radio? I mean continuing the learning process.

73 de N9KH

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 11:20:05 -0500
From: "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
To: <prm@hiwaay.net>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92445] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
Message-ID: <00eb01c09db4\$7f5ab8e0\$6201a8c0@INSYDENT>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
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> Richard, WA4NWW

That may or may not be so.

There are a LOT of lurkers here, no-code techs, and even people with NO HAM license at all, that are interested in QRP from a 'technical' standpoint or have aspirations in the back of their mind to get that code one day.

And there's a LOT of people who DO have the code, but haven't run it for years, and maybe don't care to, but if they do, they will have to 'relearn' it. Until this last year, I hadn't run anything other than 'single character' code since 1983, and my skills had totally atrophied. What little skills I had, right?

And on a more general note to everyone...

Anyway, please don't EVER make the assumption that we don't need to tailor code discussions towards beginners. The topic was 'pass the code test', and since there's only one, it's a pretty sure bet it's a beginner type question. When we start mutating a beginner question and topic line into the 'this way to warp speed' kind of thing, I feel (and this is my personal opinion) it is very detrimental. Yes, we may wish to help someone get their code skills up to have even more fun, but it doesn't do any good to intimidate them with stuff from down the road.

It's sorta like Tom Hanks in Apollo 13 movie, saying there's a thousand things to get them home, and their on number 7, but you want to argue about number 700...

Mike

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 08:25:59 -0800
From: Bill Jones <kd7s@psnw.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [92446] Re: Manhattan construction pads
Message-ID: <3A968F17.C3EEA8D@psnw.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Several people have offered to punch some pads and send me a "sampler pack." Others have pointed out that Dan's Small Parts has pads available for a very resonable price. I sincerely appreciate the kindness these folks have displayed. Although it wasn't my original intent, I may be experimenting with Manhattan construction sooner than I thought. Thank you, all you kind and gentle souls on qrp-l.

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Bill Jones - KD7S <><
Sanger, California
<http://www.psnw.com/~kd7s/>

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 11:31:36 -0500
From: Bill Coleman <aa4lr@arrl.net>
To: <jpcummins@charter.net>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92447] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
Message-ID: <1010123113136.LAA05962@gate.iterated.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"

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>papers had to be turned over and handed in without any further review.

When I took my Extra test in 1980, as well as the General in 1979, we were allowed to put in fills before grading.

That's the standard used by VEs today -- fills are permitted. But when we did 13 and 20 wpm code tests, fills rarely helped.

Bill Coleman, AA4LR, PP-ASEL Mail: aa4lr@arrl.net
Quote: "Not within a thousand years will man ever fly!"
 -- Wilbur Wright, 1901

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 09:37:07 -0700
From: Majority Mike Capt 56 TRS/IP <mike.majority@luke.af.mil>
To: QRP Reflector <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92448] Headband magnifier sale
Message-ID: <95509081DF6CD411B2C700D0B784801201042992@Mohawk.luke.af.mil>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"

Harbor Freight currently has headband magnifiers on sale for \$2.99. They have 2 power selections (higher power optics flip down on a hinge behind fixed optics), and adjust in the back with Velcro. The lenses are plastic, but at this price a couple of spare sets are not too expensive. The entire front portion does flip up out of the way.

Tried my set last night, and the lenses were fine. The low power focus was good at approx. 8", and the high power focus was good at about 6" (had my glasses on).

Usual disclaimers.

Mike, N4VBV

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 11:38:59 -0500
From: Bill Coleman <aa4lr@arrl.net>
To: <Doug.Davies@gems3.gov.bc.ca>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92449] Re: LED Voltage Drop
Message-ID: <1010123113859.LAA07466@gate.iterated.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"

On 2/22/01 2:51 PM, Davies, Doug A FOR:EX at Doug.Davies@gems3.gov.bc.ca wrote:

>I seem to remember that the voltage drop across a regular silicone diode is
>about 0.4 volts. Is this correct?

Silicon rectifiers are more like 0.7 volts. Germanium diodes are about 0.3 volts.

> I'm building a project and am putting a
>reverse polarity protection diode in and I want to be sure I compensate for
>the voltage drop. Is the voltage drop across an LED also 0.4 volts?

No, more like 1.1 volts.

You can measure it with a high-impedance voltmeter. Just run 10-20 mA through an LED, and measure the voltage across the diode.

Bill Coleman, AA4LR, PP-ASEL Mail: aa4lr@arrl.net
Quote: "Not within a thousand years will man ever fly!"
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Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 11:45:46 -0500
From: Bill Coleman <aa4lr@arrl.net>
To: <phil@vaxxine.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92450] Re: newbie question on qrp contests
Message-ID: <1010123114546.LAA08786@gate.iterated.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"

On 2/21/01 9:17 PM, Phil (VA3UX) at phil@vaxxine.com wrote:

>Can anyone give me a quick rundown on upcoming QRP contests and how
>they're run? I subscribed to this list out of curiosity but some of the
>posts I've seen about contests look intriguing.

Just about every contest has a QRP category these days. So you can crank down your rig and run QRP alongside the QRO guys to your hearts content.

Bill Coleman, AA4LR, PP-ASEL Mail: aa4lr@arrl.net
Quote: "Not within a thousand years will man ever fly!"
 -- Wilbur Wright, 1901

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 10:50:47 -0600
From: "Kanalz, Karl" <Karl.Kanalz@allegiancetelecom.com>
To: "'mike.majority@luke.af.mil'" <mike.majority@luke.af.mil>, Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [92451] RE: Headband magnifier sale
Message-ID: <E78D8A9D6762D411B5440008C791D4AA0130342F@dfwex03.allegiancetelecom.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain

Do you recall the Harbor Freight stock number, Mike?

Sounds like quite a deal!

Karl K - W8TIF
McKinney, Texas

> -----Original Message-----
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Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 15:03:50 -0000
From: "Don Chisholm" <don.chisholm@home.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92452] WQ8RP ARRL DX CW 2001
Message-ID: <000501c09db9\$e90b0ce0\$6501a8c0@roalok1.mi.home.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I have posted a few pics and other station information:

<http://www.oakland.edu/~dchishol/wq8rp.htm>

73
Don
WX3M

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 11:11:57 -0600
From: Nick Kennedy <nkennedy@tcainternet.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion (E-mail)" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92453] SWR from outside looking in - significant?
Message-ID: <01C09D89.705E9120.nkennedy@tcainternet.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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I took my MFJ-259B and looked into the antenna jack on my 2N2/40. (Yes, I was careful not to key the transmitter.)

I got $R = 7$ and $X = 50$ and SWR about a zillion to 1. Is this significant? Is reading the SWR looking in a worthwhile troubleshooting and alignment technique? Before building the transmitter section, I used this method to tweak the three trimmers in the input networks to get a low SWR, and that worked well. But of course with the transmitter added, I'm now looking through the harmonic filter and I have the final transistors in parallel. Makes things a lot more complex.

For a comparison, I looked into the FT-1000 and saw that the SWR was pretty low--less than 1.5 to 1. (BTW, the rig must be ON and turned to the band being checked.)

Getting back to the 2N2/40--mine's modified somewhat. I'm using three 2N2219A's in the final. And to get more power, I redesigned the output filter to transform 50 ohms to about 13 or so ... I guess it worked because I'm getting about 4 watts out.

But on further research, it looks like the preferred method of getting 5 watts out of a 12 volt rig is to use a 50 ohm in and out filter and use one of those bifilar 4:1 transformers between the final and the filter, to give a 12.5 ohm load to the final. Would that be a better approach?

K8IQY's statement that he figured in the output capacitance of the 2N2222's in the first stage of his output filter bothers me. I don't even know the C of the transistors I used. But with a 4:1 transformer ahead of the filter ... I guess that would transform the reactance up by 4 and therefore the C down by 4. Maybe?

And the transformer itself? With low leakage inductance in this type of transformer, it shouldn't add anything, right?

72--Nick, WA5BDU

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 09:29:21 -0800
From: "Doug Hendricks" <ki6ds@dph.dpol.net>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [92454] Toroid Kit Update
Message-ID: <01c09dbe\$28da0de0\$330b0d0a@dhendricks>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Guys, I have been flooded with orders. We have 50 of the toroid kits left, so if you want one and are still debating!!! Many have ordered 2 kits, and one guy ordered 4!! I expect to see a flood when it comes out on the digest. Proves to me that there a LOT of builders out there who recognize a great deal when they see it. Thank goodness for the parts scale that NorCal bought last year!!

For those of you who missed the first announcement, here is a repeat:

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25 Quantity T50-6
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15 Quantity Ferrite Bead
That is a total of 175 pieces for \$30 plus \$4 S&H US & Canada, \$6 Europe, \$8 Pacific Rim. To order, Send an email to me at the following address:
Subject: Toroid Kit
ki6ds@dph.dpol.net
Stating how many kits that you are ordering. Then please send a check or money order to Jim Cates, 3241 Eastwood Rd., Sacramento, CA 95821. Please include a self addressed mailing label which will help Jim immensely. If you are ordering for shipment to the US & Canada, please make the amount \$34. If you are ordering for shipment to Europe, please make the amount \$36. If you are ordering for shipment to the pacific rim, please make the amount \$38.
The lead time on some of the parts is 8 weeks. We will ship as soon as they arrive. Thanks for your patience and understanding. 72, Doug, KI6DS"

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 2001 16:37:38 +0100
From: "Willy Krogstad" <wikro@nt.telia.no>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [92455] How do I unsubscribe?
Message-ID: <039901c09dbe\$94dafae0\$2be8ccc3@n10003653>
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Hi!

Sorry for the bandwidth, but I have lost/forgotten instructions about how to unsubscribe to this splendid Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion - trouble is, I have too little time to read... and my inbox gets far too filled when I'm on the net only every other or third day.

So I wanna unsubscribe.

Yours,

Willy

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 09:53:22 -0800
From: Bob W7AVK <rsrolfne@atnet.net>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92456] Out of Band Question
Message-ID: <3A96A392.8D56198C@atnet.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Good Morning - Sorry for the band width, but I've been "reading the mail" for some time and am impressed with the technical ability of the list. Therefore when I came up with a technical question or problem I'm asking the experts.

I have a PCS cell phone which I would like to try sending modem data through using the external mic and ear phone connections. In looking for information I've been able to get the pin out of the cell phone's external connector so have the signal levels for the ear phone and mic.

What I'm looking for is the ability to get these required signals from the standard phone line RJ-II connector on my lap top modem. I appreciate what I'm looking to do is what in the old days would have been considered a phone patch. [Phone Line in, Mic and Receiver Audio Out] or what every MODEM now does in a circuit I believe that is called a DCA. [Part of DCA is the on/off line relay you hear clicking in when you first connect your modem to the line]

I've been unable to come up with any drawings of a phone patch or of the DCA that I could salvage from an old slow speed modem, might anyone be able to help?

Thanks,

73 Bob W7AVK

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 13:09:48 -0500 (EST)
From: laura fisher <wlfisher@bellatlantic.net>
To: Gene Fillpponia <omham@ix.netcom.com>, NJQRP@NJQRP.ORG, Jan Scheuerman <ylham@ix.netcom.com>, Dave Wesien <k2vx@amsat.org>, john-k1rc@juno.com, Howard Fisher <howard.fisher@att.net>, Al Saldarini <alsaldarini@worldnet.att.net>
Cc: qrp-l@lehigh.edu, neqrp@j10n1.net, kc2aup@aol.com, kc2fta@arrl.net
Subject: [92457] FWD: Fw: Int'l. Criminal Court Legislation
Message-ID: <384607554.982951789083.JavaMail.root@web622-wrb.mail.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
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To: wrobertson@brookwoodgroup.com
Sent: February 14, 2001 1:54:38 AM GMT
Subject: Fw: Int'l. Criminal Court Legislation

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To: "Liberty Activist" <libertyactivist@mjx.thelibertycommittee.org>
Sent: February 13, 2001 2:39 PM
Subject: Int'l. Criminal Court Legislation

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> Thank you for your help!
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> The Liberty Committee
> <http://www.thelibertycommittee.org>
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> P.S. Please note that some new members of the U.S. House are still in
> the process of setting up their E-mail and Web systems. Your message to
> them can be printed for mailing.
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Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 12:57:05 -0600
From: Nick Kennedy <nkennedy@tcainternet.com>
To: "'wlfisher@bellatlantic.net'" <wlfisher@bellatlantic.net>, Low Power Amateur
Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92458] RE: Fw: Int'l. Criminal Court Legislation
Message-ID: <01C09D98.20366740.nkennedy@tcainternet.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"
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72--Nick, WA5BDU

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From: laura fisher [SMTP:wlfisher@bellatlantic.net]
Sent: Friday, February 23, 2001 12:10 PM
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion
Subject: FWD: Fw: Int'l. Criminal Court Legislation

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... and so on ...

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 14:00:51 -0500
From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
To: harris_k@crane.navy.mil
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [92459] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
Message-ID: <3A96B363.E8AD0478@erols.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
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Keith,

I took all of my code tests before the FCC except my novice test. They were all given to a roomful of applicants. The first was a 13 wpm test given using a poorly speed regulated tape recorded. The last was the extra, given with a code machine at the FCC office in Long Beach. We had to demonstrate 100% copy for one minute. We also had to send at the testing speed for one minute. The idea was to demonstrate proficiency. As far as learning while operating, would you want to fly with a pilot who was still learning to fly the 747? Learning after licensing is just fine, but not the basics!

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 14:07:04 EST
From: n5ib@juno.com
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.edu
Subject: [92460] OP - Rutgers WAS attempt
Message-ID: <20010223.130414.4647.0.n5ib@juno.com>

Hey Gang,

The Rutgers Univ ARC is trying the ham radio equivalent of stuffing phone booths. WA2NPP, Brian, is currently on 28411 as part of his attempt to work all states in 24 hours. Lets flood him with QRP calls :^))

72
Jim N5IB

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Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 14:04:15 -0500
From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
To: aa4lr@arrl.net
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [92461] Re: How to pass the Code test (really)
Message-ID: <3A96B42F.40371C1@erols.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
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Bill,

Putting in fills was allowed before they gave up giving the test. Earlier we had to drop our pencils at the end of the test and they collected the papers. But there is a difference between putting in fills and coping whole parts of the test from dots and dashes. They would never have allowed any dots and dashes on the scratch paper!

73

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 14:37:11 -0500
From: Rick Robinson <rerobins@email.uncc.edu>
To: nkennedy@tcainternet.com
Cc: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [92462] RE: Fw: Int'l. Criminal Court Legislation
Message-ID: <v03102802b6bc6901fd67@[152.15.144.71]>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Nick, WA5BDU, writes;

>I didn't have time to read this thing, but I will state that I'm opposed to
>the abuse of the QRP-L mailing list for the promotion of political views.

Well said, Nick. Race, politics, sex, and religious opinions have no place
on qrp-l. There are plenty of appropriate lists for such posts.

72,

Rick kf4ar

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 13:38:28 -0600
From: "KD4W0V Tom Tishken" <kd4wov@earthlink.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92463] RE: How to pass the Code test (really)
Message-ID: <MABBJEMPFOFMPDAPJLNECMEKFCNAA.kd4wov@earthlink.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Just one note, after december there will be no more muliple chioce answers
on the code test. the W5YI group that i am with here has already eliminated
the mulitple choice questions. But just as he mentioned it is easy to get
most words even if you miss a few letters. taking this email and every other
leter, just to give you an idea of what it may look like. I know when i
passed my code i had far from perfect copy, but was able to decipher enough
letters to make words and passed.

-----Original Message-----

From: owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU [mailto:owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU]On Behalf Of
K4IA@aol.com

Sent: Friday, February 23, 2001 7:36 AM
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion
Subject: How to pass the Code test (really)

The Boy Scout story reminds me of my own Scouting experience with the Code.

I had learned the code by ear. But code can also be sent visually by flashlight or flag (one side is dot other dash). Even though I knew the code by ear, I could not translate the visual without sounding it out in my head. Very distracting and confusing. I knew the code better than anybody but I could not "translate" fast enough to copy it visually.

Lesson: learn it the way you use it and will be tested -- by ear. Further, stop listening to random sets of letters as soon as you can identify the letters. Your test will be in QSO format. Get used to copying words.

As for the test -- it is not hard if you break it down to its component pieces:

5 wpm for 5 minutes is only 25 words. There are 10 questions on those 25 words and you need to answer 7. That means you only need to get enough copy (maybe half the letters) to correctly guess the 7 answers to less than half of what is sent to you. Do the math: $.5 \times .7 \times .5 =$ you can pass the test copying 17.5% or less. I believe most fail because of lack of confidence not proficiency.

Why do I say that? You know the format is a QSO and not engineering text -- like "real" Hams had to copy ;-) So expect what is coming and be ready for it. 2 callsigns repeated, an RST, a QTH, name, Wx and maybe equipment.

Pay attention to the callsigns -- no shortcuts there except they are repeated

so if you miss a character you have another chance. The rest of the QSO is where it gets really easy. The RST is always 5x9 so you only need copy one number. The town and state are spelled out so you can guess what they are without copying every letter (where is B-st-n, Mas--?) American names aren't

hard to guess based on a few letters (who is B--l?) you can bet it isn't Zdenekskivoyitch. Weather words are easy to guess (a "w" at the end tells you "snow") and the few equipment manufacturers have very different names -- if you get a "Y" you can bet it is Yaesu. This is an example of an answer made based on copying 1 letter in 5 (20%).

There are plenty of code practice programs, available free on the Internet, that will send you test-like QSOs. Try them to build up your proficiency

and
confidence.

The good news is, once you learn the code and start using it, your speed will increase rapidly. You'll plateau at times but it won't take long before you'll be cooking away at 15-20 wpm. The other good news is you will never forget. I was QRT for 30 years and the code came back without effort.

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From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
To: nkennedy@tcainternet.com
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [92464] Re: Fw: Int'l. Criminal Court Legislation
Message-ID: <3A96C6D6.A88C807E@erols.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Nick,

I scrolled through it before exercising my delete key. I agree this sort of stuff has no place on this list!

73

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 15:33:40 -0500
From: "Charles Mabbott" <crmabbott@mediaone.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

Subject: [92465] RE: Fw: Int'l. Cr...tion Just say NO!
Message-ID: <GAECLOGOMILPLBGKKPEGMEFNCEAA.crmabbott@mediaone.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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The list cop use to complain about jokes, this seems
to have went beyond that!

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Chuck Mabbott
AA8VS
42 19' 52" N 83 28' 32" W
Grid Square EN82gh
Home Page: <http://aa8vs.dhs.org/aa8vs>

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Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 14:12:00 -0700 (MST)
From: Chris Trask <ctrask@primenet.com>
To: laura fisher <wlfisher@bellatlantic.net>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92466] Re: FWD: Fw: Int'l. Criminal Court Legislation
Message-ID: <Pine.BSI.3.96.1010223141114.15312A-100000@usr09.primenet.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

Just what we all need: Cluttering up this email group with right
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Take this garbage someplace elae.

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Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 16:34:52 -0500
From: "Mike Yetko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>

To: <ctrask@primenet.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92468] Re: FWD: Fw: Int'l. Criminal Court Legislation
Message-ID: <00ac01c09de0\$79732bc0\$6201a8c0@INSYDENT>
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Actually, I agree with the petition.

But, I have already sent a private email blasting it's posting
(hopefully
polite enough, but will get the message across).

Bottom line?

It didn't belong here.

But I see more trash about it than the original message.

How about it stop?

Mike

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 17:26:35 +0000
From: "Steven Weber" <kd1jv@moose.ncia.net>
To: w1hue@amsat.org
Cc: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [92469] Re: Replacement fo MC1350
Message-ID: <200102232200.f1NM0AG06898@wolf.ncia.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT

> >RF2627 16mA max at 3V
> ><http://www.rfmd.com/DataBooks/db97/2627.pdf>
> >--Zack W1VT
>
> According to the spec sheet, the frequency range is 12-238 MHz. That would
> imply that it might not be usable as a 9MHz IF amp. Wonder how hard and
> fast the minimum frequency spec is...
>
I can't see why it wouldn't work well below 12 MHz. The big

question is can you get them in small quantity, or do you need to be making 1000 cell phones a day...

NEC makes an AGC MMIC, the UPC8119T, Mouser stocks them. Also a 3V part, in a tiny package. The freq specs for this is 100-1900 MHz. I used them at 4 MHz with out a problem. The only problem I did notice is they seem to get noisy at less than full gain and they only have about 20 dB of AGC action.

72,
Steve, KD1JV in the white Mountains of New Hampshire
"melt solder"

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 18:04:42 +0000
From: "Steven Weber" <kd1jv@moose.ncia.net>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [92470] RE: How to pass the Code test (really)
Message-ID: <200102232238.f1NMcBG20557@wolf.ncia.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT

Practice, practice, practice...can we move on now, please?

72,
Steve, KD1JV in the white Mountains of New Hampshire
"melt solder"

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 18:22:42 EST
From: N2PTW@cs.com
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [92471] QRP items F/S
Message-ID: <38.126cb93d.27c84ac2@cs.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hello;

I have some QRP items for sale.

1. Unbuilt Epiphyte 3, bag never opened....\$100.00 shipped
2. Elecraft K2 transceiver some options.....\$650.00 shipped

thank you joyce N2PTW

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 18:33:27 -0500
From: Michael Bower <bowerm@ix.netcom.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [92472] Re: Fw: Int'l. Criminal Court Legislation
Message-ID: <3A96F346.337C0B2F@ix.netcom.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

If you ask my wife, she considers qrp and qrp-l a religion. Perhaps even a cult. I guess I better get back to some things on her "to-do" list or I'll never get another rig.

<grin>

Michael N4NMR

Rick Robinson wrote:

> Nick, WA5BDU, writes;
>
> >I didn't have time to read this thing, but I will state that I'm opposed to
> >the abuse of the QRP-L mailing list for the promotion of political views.
>
> Well said, Nick. Race, politics, sex, and religious opinions have no place
> on qrp-l. There are plenty of appropriate lists for such posts.
>
> 72,
>
> Rick kf4ar

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73 de N4NMR
Michael Bower
Ashburn, VA (near Washington, D.C.)

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